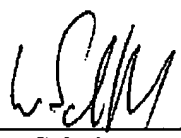
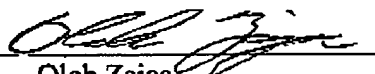


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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER				Attorney Docket No: A369- USA		
Application Serial Number: 10/821,023	Filing Date: 4/7/2004	Examiner: Jason L. Savage	Art Unit: 1775			
Invention: BRAZING TITANIUM TO STAINLESS STEEL USING Ti-Ni FILLER MATERIAL						
<p>TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</p> <p>Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.</p>						
CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	NO. OF EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	13	MINUS	30	0	\$50	\$ 0.00
INDEP. CLAIMS	1	MINUS	4	0	\$200	\$ 0.00
<p>_____ Petition is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Office Action of <u>9/7/2005</u> to and through _____, comprising an extension of the shortened statutory period of:</p> <p style="margin-left: 100px;"> _____ one month (\$120.00) _____ three months (\$1,020.00) _____ two months (\$450.00) _____ four months (\$1,590.00) </p>						
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						
<p>_____ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.</p> <p>_____ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.</p> <p>_____ A check in the amount of \$_____ is attached.</p> <p>_____ Charge \$_____ to Deposit Account _____.</p> <p>_____ No additional fee is required.</p> <p><u> x </u> No additional fee is required.</p> <p style="margin-left: 100px;"> <u>10/3/05</u> Date </p> <p style="margin-left: 400px;">  Gary Schnittgrund Attorney for Applicant Reg. No. 42,130 </p> <p style="margin-left: 100px;">  Oleh Zajac </p>						
<p>I hereby certify that this Correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the USPTO at 571-273-8300 on October 3, 2005.</p>						

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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action of September 7, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS and DISCUSSION

Claims 1-30 are pending in the parent application. The examiner divided those original claims into 3 inventions: group I claims 1-13; group II claims 14-28 and 30; and group III claim 29, and required restriction to a single invention. Applicants elect group I. Claims 14-30 have been withdrawn.

Claims 1-12 are rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Chang.

Claim 13 is rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Chang in view of Cusano.

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